# Silver Lake Vegetation Management Plan Update

# Kosciusko County, Indiana 2007 - 2011



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## **Executive Summary**

Approximately 30 acres of Silver Lake were chemically treated with Aquathol K on April 27, 2007. This treatment was part of an early season treatment program designed to reduce the curly leaf pondweed population in Silver Lake. Curly leaf pondweed (CLP) is found throughout Silver Lake. The entire littoral zone of Silver Lake was treated, as well as the littoral zone of North Little Lake. Silver Lake has now been treated for 3 years, while North Little Lake has been treated for 2 years. These treatments are not expected to eliminate curly leaf pondweed in Silver Lake but should help to prevent its spread and help beneficial native plants compete with the invader.

Ten acres of North Little lake were also treated with 2, 4-D on June 19, 2007 for the control of Eurasian watermilfoil (EWM). Eurasian Watermilfoil is found in only moderate levels in North Little Lake, and the 2, 4-D treatments are designed to prevent its spread.

Two Tier II aquatic vegetation surveys were conducted on Silver Lake in 2007. The first survey was conducted on April 27, 2007, just prior to treatment. The second survey was conducted on July 25, 2007. The purpose of these surveys was to document any changes in the plant community from the 2006 surveys, and to monitor the lake's curly leaf pondweed and Eurasian watermilfoil populations, along with the native plant community.

Curly leaf pondweed was found in low abundance in Silver Lake in 2007 with a site frequency of 8.0% in both surveys. Site frequency of CLP in North Little Lake was higher, at 20% in spring and 30% in fall. This is expected because CLP treatments have been conducted for only 2 years on North Little Lake. The necessity for pretreatment vegetation surveys may skew spring plant abundances, as the surveys must be conducted very early in the growing season.

The current management strategy will continue in 2008. Approximately 30 acres will be treated with Aquathol K for CLP control in early spring. Ten acres in North Little Lake will be treated later in the growing season with 2, 4-D for the control of Eurasian watermilfoil. Coontail, the most abundant plant in Silver Lake, will not be treated with LARE funding. Coontail treatments may be permitted but must be privately funded. An early season Tier II survey should be conducted to monitor both native and invasive plant populations. A CLP turion survey will not be conducted in 2008, but may be conducted in 2009 or 2010 to determine the amount of CLP turions left in the sediment in Silver Lake.

#### 2008 Cost Estimates:

\*All cost figures are estimates only. All prices are subject to change pending 2008 chemical pricing.

- 1. Chemically treat areas infested by curly leaf pondweed and Eurasian milfoil
  - A. Treat the entire littoral zone with Aquathol K (Silver and North Little Lakes) \$9,700
  - B. North Little Lake Eurasian Watermilfoil

Treat 10 acres with 2, 4-D

\$ 3,750

- 2. Conduct an early season Tier II survey to monitor both invasive and native plant populations.
  - A. Spring Vegetation Survey and Plan Update

\$ 4,000



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#### 1.0 Introduction

Silver Lake has been involved in the Lake and River Enhancement Program (LARE) since 2004, when the first LARE funded aquatic vegetation survey took place on July 12, 2004. Based on the results of this survey, curly leaf pondweed was very prevalent in Silver Lake, and the areas of infestation were targeted for early season Aquathol K herbicide treatments. Early season curly leaf pondweed treatments have been conducted on Silver Lake for 3 consecutive years, while they have been conducted on North Little Lake for 2 consecutive years. North Little lake was treated for the control of EWM for the first time in 2007. The following chart summarizes all LARE funded activities on Silver Lake.

Table 1: Silver Lake LARE History

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Year	Action	Date	<b>Funding Source</b>						
2004	Late Season Aquatic Vegetation Survey.  Lake Management Plan Development	Late Season Survey August 25, 2004	Lake and River Enhancement Silver Lake Association						
2005	Spring and Late Season Aquatic Vegetation Surveys as well Aquathol K application and Management Plan Update	Spring Survey April 14, 2005  Aquathol K Application ~30 acres –Silver Lake- April 15, 2005  July Survey July 15, 2005	Lake and River Enhancement Silver Lake Association						
2006	Spring and Late Season Aquatic Vegetation Surveys as well Aquathol K application and Management Plan Update	Spring Survey April 20, 2006  Aquathol K Application ~30 acres- April 26, 2006  Late Season Survey July 26, 2006	Lake and River Enhancement Silver Lake Association						
2007	Spring and Fall Tier II Vegetation surveys as well as Aquathol K and 2, 4-D applications for CLP and EWM  Management Plan Update	Spring Survey April 27, 2007  Aquathol K Application ~30 acres- April 27, 2006  2, 4-D Application for EWM June 19, 2007  Late Season Survey July 25, 2007	Lake and River Enhancement Silver Lake Association						



#### 2.0 Watershed and Lake Characteristics Update

Secchi depth in Silver Lake was measured at 4.0 feet on April 27, 2007 and at 3.5 feet on July 25, 2007 by Aquatic Weed Control. On July 25, 2007 Aquatic Weed Control measured dissolved oxygen and temperature throughout the water column in Silver Lake. This data was used to construct dissolved oxygen and temperature profiles for Silver Lake. Figure 1 shows oxygen levels in Silver Lake.

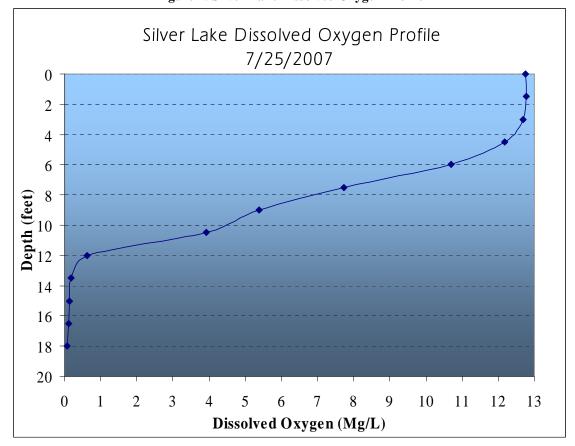


Figure 1: Silver Lake Dissolved Oxygen Profile

Dissolved oxygen requirements to maintain healthy fish populations of warm-water species are at least 2-5 mg of oxygen per liter of water, while cold-water fish species require 5-9 mg of oxygen per liter of water (Kalff, 2002, p237).

The metalimnion is the transition zone between the surface water and the deep water. It is usually accompanied by rapid changes in dissolved oxygen and temperature. The metalimnion in Silver Lake is between 4 and 12 feet, characterized by a rapid loss of dissolved oxygen. On July 25, 2007, Silver Lake had adequate oxygen to support fish life down to roughly 10 feet. Figure 2 shows temperature data from Silver Lake.



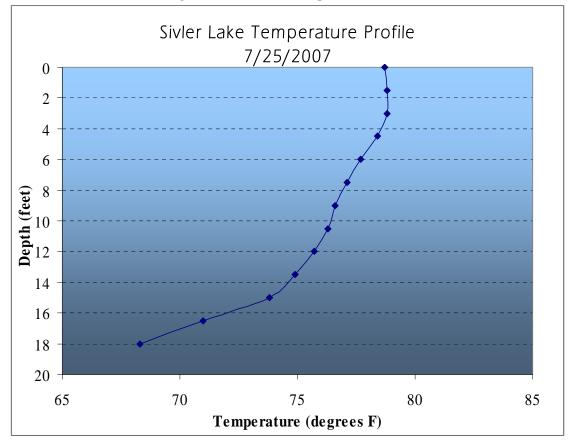
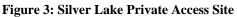


Figure 2: Silver Lake Temperature Profile

The thermocline is a rapid temperature change associated with the transition from surface water to deep water. In Silver Lake water temperature remains stable from the surface down to only 4 feet. Temperature then drops with depth. This indicates the beginning of a thermocline at around 4 feet. Temperature drops even more rapidly between 12 and 18 feet.

# 3.0 Lake Uses Update

Silver Lake continues to receive very high levels of public use during the summer months. No IDNR public access site is available, but boaters and fishermen enter the lake from the private access points on Silver Lake. Figure 3 shows a private access ramp on the east shore of Silver Lake.





The lake is popular with many fishermen, as the major sport species are panfish and largemouth bass. Coontail still impedes use of the lake in many areas. It grows to nuisance levels and causes limitations on boat travel. Figure 4 shows one area of matted coontail and filamentous algae on Silver Lake.







## 4.0 Fisheries Update

Ed Braun, District 4 Fisheries Biologist was contacted, and the most recent fisheries survey on Silver Lake took place in 2006. The following species list was provided by District 4 Fisheries Biologist Ed Braun, and was written by Angela Benson. It summarizes population statistics for every species of fish collected in past fisheries surveys.

The executive summary of the fish management report describes the fish population and is included below. This is an excerpt and not the entire report.

#### SILVER LAKE

Kosciusko County
2006 Fish Management Report
Angela C. Benson
Assistant Biologist

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

- A general lake survey was completed on Silver Lake from June 5 to 6, 2006. During this survey, water chemistry data was also collected. Aquatic vegetation surveys were conducted on April 19 and July 18, 2006.
- The Secchi disk reading was 3 ft on April 19 and and 7 ft July 18 and dissolved oxygen concentration was adequate for fish survival above 14 ft on June 6. Submersed vegetation was found to a maximum depth of 11 ft on April 19 and 9 ft on July 18. Coontail *Ceratophyllum demersum* dominated the plant population in the spring and summer vegetation surveys.
- A total of 521 fish, representing 17 species and 1 hybrid sunfish, was collected during the general survey. Bluegill ranked first by number, followed by largemouth bass and gizzard shad. Largemouth bass ranked first by weight, followed by gizzard shad and carp. Overall, the quality of the largemouth bass fishery was good based on the relatively high PSD (70) and RSD-14 (51). Largemouth bass reached 14.0 in TL at age 4. Similarly, the bluegill population was good quality because PSD was 32 and RSD-8 was 8.
- In Silver Lake, the DFW should maintain a 14-in minimum size limit on largemouth bass; the District Biologist should not permit the control of native aquatic vegetation beyond the creation of boating lanes; the DFW should work with IDEM and the SWCD to encourage the lakeshore landowners to participate in best management practices to improve Silver Lake water quality.



Table 2: IDNR Fish Species List (Benson, 2006)

Species	1972	1980	1986	1989	2006
Bluegill	1,009	360	422	259	199
Largemouth bass	103	105	61	195	99
Yellow perch		147	118	124	16
Gizzard shad	2	385	447	302	97
Warmouth		34	38	38	8
Golden shiner	2	19	85	84	10
Yellow bullhead	1	14	6	19	6
Black crappie	19	172	79	16	12
Brown bullhead	2	34	13	18	9
Common shiner	3				
Pumpkinseed	14	49	34	33	1
Carp		16	4	5	4
Lake chubsucker			2	2	3
Rock bass		1			
White bass			12	19	5
Grass pickerel		1			
Creek chub			1		
White sucker	49	264	171	20	13
Spotted sucker		22	32	5	4
Hybrid sunfish			2	1	7
Black bullhead	1	7	30	5	
Green sunfish		2		1	
Northern pike		1	4	1	
Redear sunfish					28
Total	1,205	1,633	1,561	1,147	521
1972 effort: gill net = 4 lift	ts; AC EF: Day = 1	h			
1980 effort: gill net = 9 lift	ts, trap net = $9 \frac{1}{\text{lifts}}$	DC EF: Night = 1	.29 h; PSDs calcu	lated using only I	EF data
1986 effort: gill net = 7 lift	ts, trap $net = 5$ lifts,	DC EF = 1 h; PS	Ds calculated usin	g only EF data	
1989 effort: gill net = 6 lift	ts, trap net = $4$ lifts,	$\overline{DC EF = 1 h; PS}$	Ds calculated usin	g only EF data	
2006 effort: gill net = 4 lift	ts, trap net = $2$ lifts,	$DC \overline{EF = 1 \text{ h; PS}}$	Ds calculated usin	g only EF data	

#### **5.0 Problem Statement**

Curly leaf pondweed and Eurasian watermilfoil will continue to be the major challenge in maintaining a healthy plant community at Silver Lake. Early season Aquathol treatments provide effective control for curly leaf pondweed and overall infestation should decrease as a result of the treatment program. In North Little Lake 2, 4-D treatments provide maintenance for Eurasian watermilfoil. These treatments should help native species complete with these invasive plants. Coontail, a native species in Silver Lake is also present at nuisance levels in many areas. Coontail treatments are not eligible for LARE funding.



## 6.0 Management Goals and Objectives

The management goals outlined by the IDNR Division of Fish and Wildlife have not changed. They are restated below:

- 1. Develop or maintain a stable, diverse aquatic plant community that supports a good balance of predator and prey fish and wildlife species, good water quality and is resistant to minor habitat disturbances and invasive species.
- 2. Direct efforts to preventing and/or controlling the negative impacts of aquatic invasive species.
- 3. Provide reasonable public recreational access while minimizing the negative impacts on plant and wildlife resources.

# 7.0 Plant Management History Update

Ed Braun, District 4 Fisheries Biologist was contacted to determine any significant changes in vegetation control permits and acreages for the treatment of private lots have not changed significantly. One small area was treated for coontail with private funding in summer of 2007. The area was approximately 2.5 acres, and is located on the west end of Silver Lake. A map outlining this area is shown below.



Figure 5: Silver Lake Private Treatment Areas



Aquathol treatments for Curly leaf pondweed in both Silver and North Little Lakes continued in 2007. The Aquathol treatment took place on April 27, 2007. Treatment areas did not change from 2006. Curly leaf pondweed treatment areas are shown in the map below. North Little Lake was treated for Eurasian watermilfoil with 2, 4-D on June 19, 2007. The treatment area in North little lake was the same as the Aquathol treatment area.

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Figure 6: Silver Lake LARE Treatment Areas

# 8.0 Aquatic Plant Community Characterization Update

One major change in protocol for 2007 is the absence of the Tier I reconnaissance survey. Survey intensity is now being tailored to individual lakes, depending on their own unique set of circumstances and management activities. Some lakes which may have been surveyed twice annually in the past may only be surveyed once each season. Surveys on some lakes that have been intensely surveyed in recent years may change to visual surveys as opposed to more time consuming quantitative vegetation surveys. These changes provide better quality of service and more efficient use of funding on Indiana lakes.

An updated Tier II survey protocol has been established by the IDNR. These changes are outlined in the methods section (8.1).



## 8.1 Methods Update

The Tier II survey protocol was updated by the IDNR in 2007. New LARE Tier II protocol requires that sample sites be stratified by depth contour, and that data analysis be provided for each depth contour. Rake scores for plant species are recorded as 1, 3, or 5, as opposed to the original scoring system of 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5.

The number of sample sites needed for a Tier II survey still is based on both lake size and trophic state, as it was in 2006. Trophic state describes the productivity of a lake and is correlated with plant growth, secchi disk, and nutrient availability. There are 4 different trophic states listed by the IDNR: Oligotrophic, Mesotrophic, Eutrophic, and Hypereutrophic. Oligotrophic Lakes usually have clear water and few nutrients, while Hypereutrophic lakes usually have deeply stained water and are nutrient rich. Table 3 is taken from the IDNR 2006 Tier II protocol and shows the maximum depth that must be sampled for a lake in each trophic state. In oligotrophic lakes, where water is clear, plants may be able to grow in up to 25 feet of water because sunlight may still reach the lake bottom in deep water. In hypereutrophic lakes where water is turbid, lack of sunlight will prevent plants from growing in deep water, so the maximum sampling depth is only 10 feet.

**Table 3: Sample Depth by Trophic State** 

Trophic State	Maximum Depth of Sampling (ft)
Hypereutrophic	10
Eutrophic	15
Mesotrophic	20
Oligotrophic	25

Table 4 is used to calculate the number of sample sites need in each depth contour by using lake size and trophic status. The new protocol attempts to more accurately describe the entire littoral zone of a lake and provide more detailed data analysis by separating the littoral zone into 5 foot depth segments.

Table 4: Sample Sites by Lake Size and Trophic State

							Tier II Sa	mpling							3
Table 3. Sample size requirements as determined by lake size, trophic state, and apportioned by depth class.    Hypereutrophic   Eutrophic   Mesotrophic   Oligotrophic															
Lake Acres	Total # of Sites	0-5 foot contour	5-10 foot contour	0-5 foot contour	5-10 foot contour	10-15 foot contour	0-5 foot contour	5-10 foot contour	10-15 foot contour	15-20 foot contour	0-5 foot contour	5-10 foot contour	10-15 foot contour	15-20 foot contour	20-25 foot contour
<10	20	10	10	10	7	3	10	5	3	2	10	4	3	2	
10-49	30	20	10	10	10	10	10	10	7	3	10	10	5	3	
50-99	40	30	10	17	13	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	7	
100-199	50	40	10	23	17	10	14	14	12	10	10	10	10	10	1
200-299	60	50	10	30	20	10	18	16	16	10	14	12	12	12	1
300-399	70	60	10	37	23	10	22	20	18	10	17	15	14	14	1
400-499	80	70	10	43	27	10	25	23	22	10	19	18	17	16	1
500-799	90	80	10	50	30	10	29	27	24	10	22	21	19	18	1
>=800	100	90	10	57	33	10	33	31	26	10	25	23	22	20	1



#### 8.2.2 Tier II Results

Two Tier II vegetation surveys were conducted in 2007. The first was on April 27, 2007 and the second was on July 25, 2007. Secchi depth was measured at 4.0 feet on April 27, and 3.5 feet on July 25. Fifty rake samples were divided between each 5 foot depth contour of Silver Lake's littoral zone in each survey. Twenty sample sites were distributed throughout the littoral zone of North Little Lake. The following map shows the locations of all sample sites during the 2007 Tier II surveys. Sample sites are identical to 2006 sample sites.

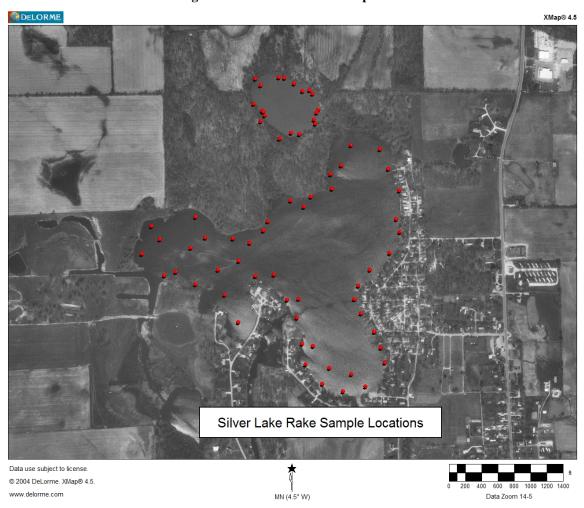


Figure 7: Silver Lake Rake Sample Locations

#### **Tier II Data Analysis**

Tables 5 through 17 are data summaries for the 2007 aquatic vegetation surveys. These tables help to describe the plant community, and will help identify any changes that take place in the years to come. Tables labeled as "Overall" analyze each sample site in Silver and North Little Lakes. The other tables describe plants found in each depth contour of the littoral zones (0-5 feet, 5-10 feet, etc).



# Silver Lake April 2007 Data Analysis

Table 5: Silver Lake April Data Analysis - Overall

Occurrence and Abundance of Submersed Aquatic Plants - Overall								
Lake:	Silver Lake	Secchi:	4.0	SE Mean Species/site:	0.11			
Date:	4/27/07	Littoral sites with plants:	29	Mean natives/site:	0.66			
Littoral depth (ft):	9.0	Number of species:	6	SE Mean natives/site:	0.09			
Littoral sites:	38	Maximum species/site:	2	Species diversity:	0.40			
Total sites:	50	Mean number species/site:	0.76	Native diversity:	0.22			
			Score Frequency					
Common Namo	Site Frequency	1	3	5	Dominonco			

			Score Frequency		
Common Name	Site Frequency	1	3	5	Dominance
Coontail	58.0	14.0	20.0	24.0	38.8
Curly-leaf Pondweed	8.0	8.0	0.0	0.0	1.6
Leafy Pondweed	4.0	4.0	0.0	0.0	0.8
Elodea	2.0	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.4
Eurasian Watermilfoil	2.0	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.4
Slender Naiad	2.0	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.4
Filamentous Algae	70.0				

Table 6: Silver Lake April Data Analysis - 0-5 feet

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	Occurrence an	nd Abundance of Subme	rsed Aquatic Plai	nts 0-5 Feet				
Lake:	Silver Lake	Secchi:	4.0	SE Mean Species/site:	0.12			
Date:	4/27/07	Littoral sites with plants:	22	Mean natives/site:	1.13			
Littoral depth (ft):	9.0	Number of species:	6	SE Mean natives/site:	0.10			
Littoral sites:	23	Maximum species/site:	2	Species diversity:	0.47			
Total sites:	23	Mean number species/site:	1.35	Native diversity:	0.28			
			T	T				
			Score Frequency					
Common Name	Site Frequency	1	3	5	Dominance			
Coontail	95.7	8.7	34.8	52.2	74.8			
Curly-Leaf Pondweed	17.4	17.4	0.0	0.0	3.5			
Leafy Pondweed	8.7	8.7	0.0	0.0	1.7			
Elodea	4.3	4.3	0.0	0.0	0.9			
Eurasian Watermilfoil	4.3	4.3	0.0	0.0	0.9			
Slender Naiad	4.3	4.3	0.0	0.0	0.9			
Filamentous Algae	100.0							



Table 7: Silver Lake April Data Analysis - 5 - 10 Feet

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	Occurrence a	and Abundance of Subm	ersed Aquatic Pla	nts 5-10 Feet	
Lake:	Silver Lake	Secchi:	4.0	SE Mean Species/site:	0.12
Date:	4/27/07	Littoral sites with plants:	7	Mean natives/site:	0.41
Littoral depth (ft):	9.0	Number of species:	1	SE Mean natives/site:	0.12
Littoral sites:	15	Maximum species/site:	1	Species diversity:	0.00
Total sites:	17	Mean number species/site:	0.41	Native diversity:	0.00
			Score Frequency		
Common Name	Site Frequency	1	3	5	Dominance
Coontail	41.2	29.4	11.8	0.0	12.9
Filamentous Algae	58.8				

No plants were found deeper than 9 feet in Silver Lake in spring of 2007.

# North Little Lake Spring 2007 Data

Table 8: North Little Lake April Data Analysis - Overall

Occurrence and Abundance of Submersed Aquatic Plants - Overall							
			_				
Lake:	North Little	Secchi:	4.0	SE Mean Species/site:	0.16		
Date:	4/27/07	Littoral sites with plants:	13	Mean natives/site:	0.57		
Littoral depth (ft):	10.0	Number of species:	4	SE Mean natives/site:	0.11		
Littoral sites:	17	Maximum species/site:	2	Species diversity:	0.52		
Total sites:	20	Mean number species/site:	0.81	Native diversity:	0.15		
			Score Frequency				
Common Name	Site Frequency	1	3	5	Dominance		
Coontail	55.0	40.0	10.0	5.0	19.0		
Curly-leaf Pondweed	20.0	20.0	0.0	0.0	4.0		
Elodea	5.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	1.0		
Eurasian Watermilfoil	5.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	1.0		
Filamentous Algae	15.0						



Table 9: North Little Lake April Data Analysis - 0 - 5 Feet

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	Occurrence an	nd Abundance of Subme	ersed Aquatic Pla	nts 0-5 Feet			
Lake:	North Little	Secchi:	4.0	SE Mean Species/site:	0.16		
Date:	4/27/07	Littoral sites with plants:	10	Mean natives/site:	1.00		
Littoral depth (ft):	10.0	Number of species:	3	SE Mean natives/site:	0.00		
Littoral sites:	10	Maximum species/site:	2	Species diversity:	0.50		
Total sites:	10	Mean number species/site:	1.40	Native diversity:	0.18		
			Score Frequency				
Common Name	Site Frequency	1	3	5	Dominance		
Coontail	90.0	60.0	20.0	10.0	34.0		
Curly-leaf Pondweed	40.0	40.0	0.0	0.0	8.0		
Elodea	10.0	10.0	0.0	0.0	2.0		
Filamentous Algae	10.0						

Table 10: North Little Lake April Data Analysis - 5-10 Feet

		Data Analysis - 5-10 Feet	7 4 4 TO		
	Occurrence and	d Abundance of Submer	sed Aquatic Plan	ts 5-10 Feet	
Lake:	North Little	Secchi:	4.0	SE Mean Species/site:	0.18
Date:	4/27/07	Littoral sites with plants:	3	Mean natives/site:	0.25
Littoral depth (ft):	10.0	Number of species:	2	SE Mean natives/site:	0.16
Littoral sites:	8	Maximum species/site:	1	Species diversity:	0.44
Total sites:	8	Mean number species/site: 0.38		Native diversity:	0.00
			Score Frequency		
Common Name	Site Frequency	1	3	5	Dominance
Coontail	25.0	25.0	0.0	0.0	5.0
Eurasian Watermilfoil	12.5	12.5	0.0	0.0	2.5
Filamentous Algae	25.0				

No plants were found deeper than 10 feet in North Little Lake in Spring of 2007.



# Silver Lake Fall 2007 Data

Table 11:Silver Lake July Data Analysis - Overall

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	Occurrence an	nd Abundance of Subme	rsed Aquatic Plan	nts - Overall	
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Lake:	Silver lake	Secchi:	3.5	SE Mean Species/site:	0.11
Date:	7/25/07	Littoral sites with plants:	32	Mean natives/site:	0.78
Littoral depth (ft):	10.0	Number of species:	6	SE Mean natives/site:	0.10
Littoral sites:	40	Maximum species/site:	3	Species diversity:	0.46
Total sites:	50	Mean number species/site:	0.86	Native diversity:	0.36
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			Score Frequency		
Common Name	Site Frequency	1	3	5	Dominance
Coontail	62.0	18.0	20.0	24.0	39.6
Curly-leaf Pondweed	8.0	8.0	0.0	0.0	1.6
Slender Naiad	6.0	2.0	4.0	0.0	2.8
Chara	4.0	4.0	0.0	0.0	0.8
Duckweed	4.0	4.0	0.0	0.0	0.8
Elodea	2.0	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.4
Filamentous Algae	38.0				

Table 12: Silver Lake July Data Analysis - 0-5 Feet

	Occurrence and Abundance of Submersed Aquatic Plants 0-5 Feet						
Lake:	Silver lake	Secchi:	3.5	SE Mean Species/site:	0.15		
Date:	7/25/07	Littoral sites with plants:	20	Mean natives/site:	1.04		
Littoral depth (ft):	10.0	Number of species:	5	SE Mean natives/site:	0.12		
Littoral sites:	23	Maximum species/site:	3	Species diversity:	0.51		
Total sites:	23	Mean number species/site:	1.22	Native diversity:	0.36		
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			Score Frequency				
Common Name	Site Frequency	1	3	5	Dominance		
Coontail	82.9	4.3	30.4	47.8	67.0		
Curly-leaf Pondweed	17.4	17.4	0.0	0.0	3.5		
Slender Naiad	8.7	4.3	4.3	0.0	3.5		
Chara	8.7	8.7	0.0	0.0	1.7		
Duckweed	4.3	4.3	0.0	0.0	0.9		
Filamentous Algae	69.6						



Table 13: Silver Lake July Data Analysis 5 - 10 Feet

	Occurrence and Abundance of Submersed Aquatic Plants 5-10 Feet								
Lake:	Silver lake	Secchi:	3.5	SE Mean Species/site:	0.17				
Date:	7/25/07	Littoral sites with plants:	12	Mean natives/site:	0.88				
Littoral depth (ft):	10.0	Number of species:	4	SE Mean natives/site:	0.17				
Littoral sites:	17	Maximum species/site:	2	Species diversity:	0.35				
Total sites:	17	Mean number species/site:	0.88	Native diversity:	0.35				
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			Score Frequency						
Common Name	Site Frequency	1	3	5	Dominance				
Coontail	70.6	47.1	17.6	5.9	25.9				
Slender Naiad	5.9	0.0	5.9	0.0	3.5				
Duckweed	5.9	5.9	0.0	0.0	1.2				
Elodea	5.9	5.9	0.0	0.0	1.2				
Filamentous Algae	17.6								

No plants were found deeper than 10 feet in Silver Lake in fall of 2007.

# North Little Lake Fall 2007 Data

Table 14: North Little Lake July Data Analysis - Overall

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	Occurrence and Abundance of Submersed Aquatic Plants - Overall						
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Lake:	North Little	Secchi:	3.5	SE Mean Species/site:	0.2		
Date:	7/25/07	Littoral sites with plants:	16	Mean natives/site:	0.80		
Littoral depth (ft):	13.0	Number of species:	4	SE Mean natives/site:	0.09		
Littoral sites:	18	Maximum species/site:	3	Species diversity:	0.54		
Total sites:	20	Mean number species/site:	1.20	Native diversity:	0.12		
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			Score Frequency				
Common Name	Site Frequency	1	3	5	Dominance		
Coontail	75.0	25.0	35.0	15.0	41.0		
Curly-leaf Pondweed	30.0	25.0	5.0	0.0	8.0		
Eurasian Watermilfoil	10.0	10.0	0.0	0.0	2.0		
Small Pondweed	5.0	0.0	5.0	0.0	3.0		
Filamentous Algae	20.0						



Table 15: North Little Lake July Data Analysis 0-5 Feet

	Occurrence an	nd Abundance of Subme	rsed Aquatic Plai	nts 0-5 Feet	Occurrence and Abundance of Submersed Aquatic Plants 0-5 Feet								
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Lake:	North Little	Secchi:	3.5	SE Mean Species/site:	0.27								
Date:	7/25/07	Littoral sites with plants:	10	Mean natives/site:	1.00								
Littoral depth (ft):	13.0	Number of species:	3	SE Mean natives/site:	0.00								
Littoral sites:	10	Maximum species/site:	3	Species diversity:	0.53								
Total sites:	10	Mean number species/site:	1.60	Native diversity:	0.00								
			Score Frequency										
Common Name	Site Frequency	1	3	5	Dominance								
Coontail	100.0	20.0	60.0	20.0	60.0								
Curly-leaf Pondweed	40.0	30.0	10.0	0.0	12.0								
Eurasian Watermilfoil	20.0	20.0	0.0	0.0	4.0								
Filamentous Algae	40.0												

Table 16: North Little Lake July Data Analysis 5 - 10 Feet

	Occurrence and Abundance of Submersed Aquatic Plants 5-10 Feet						
Lake:	North Little	Secchi:	3.5	SE Mean Species/site:	0.31		
Date:	7/25/07	Littoral sites with plants:	5	Mean natives/site:	0.71		
Littoral depth (ft):	13.0	Number of species:	3	SE Mean natives/site:	0.18		
Littoral sites:	7	Maximum species/site:	2	Species diversity:	0.57		
Total sites:	7	Mean number species/site:	1.00	Native diversity:	0.32		
			Score Frequency				
Common Name	Site Frequency	1	3	5	Dominance		
Coontail	57.1	28.6	14.3	14.3	28.6		
Curly-leaf Pondweed	28.6	28.6	0.0	0.0	5.7		
Small Pondweed	14.3	0.0	14.3	0.0	8.6		
Filamentous Algae	0.0						

Table 17: North Little Lake July Data Analysis 10 - 15 Feet

Occurrence and Abundance of Submersed Aquatic Plants 10-15 Feet								
Lake:	North Little	Secchi:	3.5	SE Mean Species/site:	0.33			
Date:	7/25/07	Littoral sites with plants:	1	Mean natives/site:	0.33			
Littoral depth (ft):	13.0	Number of species:	1	SE Mean natives/site:	0.33			
Littoral sites:	1	Maximum species/site:	1	Species diversity:	0.00			
Total sites:	3	Mean number species/site:	0.33	Native diversity:	0.00			
			Score Frequency					
Common Name	Site Frequency	1	3	5	Dominance			
Coontail	33.3	33.3	0.0	0.0	6.7			



No plants were collected deeper than 13 feet in North Little Lake in fall of 2007.

#### **Site Frequency**

Site frequency is a measure of how often a species was collected during the Tier II survey. It can be calculated by the following equation:

Site Frequency = (# of sites where the species was collected) X 100
Total # of littoral sample sites

Table 18 shows site frequencies for every plant collected in any of the late season Tier II surveys since the lake was involved in the LARE program with the exception of duckweed. Natural die offs make it difficult to gage the curly leaf pondweed population in late summer. This year a Tier II survey was conducted in spring, and another will be conducted in spring of 2008. Coontail remains the most frequently collected plant in every survey. Slender naiad, char and curly leaf pondweed are the other most common plants in Silver Lake.

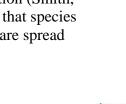
Silver Lake Site Frequencies for All Plants 2004-2007 ■ Fall 2004 ■ Fall 2005 80 70 □ Fall 2006 60 □ Fall 2007 50 40 30 21.7 18.3 15 20 6.0 6

**Table 18: Silver Lake Site Frequency History** 

# **Species Diversity**

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The species diversity indices listed in data analysis tables describe the overall plant community. A species diversity index is actually measured as a value of uncertainty (H). If a species is chosen at random from a collection containing a certain number of species, the diversity index (H) is the probability that a chosen species will be different from the previous random selection. The diversity index (H) will always be between 0 and 1. The higher the H value, the more likely it is that the next species chosen from the collection at random will be different from the previous selection (Smith, 2001). This index is dependent upon species richness and species evenness, meaning that species diversity is a function of how many different species are present and how evenly they are spread throughout the ecosystem.



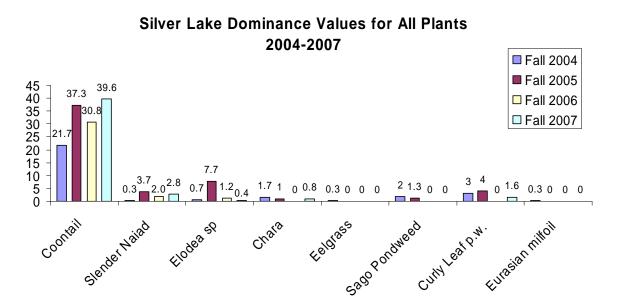
The species diversity index for Silver Lake in July of 2007 was 0.46, up from 0.33 in July of 2006. Native plant diversity in July of 2007 was 0.36, also up slightly from 0.33 in July of 2006. North Little Lake species diversity in July of 2007 was 0.54, which is down from 0.72 in July of 2006. Native diversity was 0.12, which was down from 0.57 in July of 2006.

#### **Species Dominance**

Species dominance is dependent upon how many times a species occurs, and its relative coverage area or biomass within the system. In this survey, the abundance rating given to each species at each sample site was used to determine dominance. The dominance of a particular species in this Tier II survey increases as its site frequency and relative abundance increase.

Table 19 tracks dominance values for each plant collected at Silver Lake during its involvement in the LARE program with the exception of duckweed. Trends are similar to sight frequency, with coontail being by far the most dominant plant collected in each survey. Curly leaf pondweed may be under-represented in this graph as it usually dies off naturally during the summer.

**Table 19: Silver Lake Plant Dominance History** 



# 8.3 Macrophyte Inventory Discussion

The submersed plant community of Silver Lake covers roughly 33 acres of Silver and North Little Lakes. Based upon 2007 survey data, curly leaf pondweed continues to occur in low abundances in Silver Lake and moderate abundance in North Little Lake. North Little Lake also has a moderate abundance of Eurasian watermilfoil that appears to be effectively controlled by 2, 4-D treatments.

Secchi disk readings are low, with readings of 4.0 and 3.5 feet recorded in 2007. A dissolved oxygen profile found adequate oxygen to support fish life down to roughly 10 feet.

Plant diversity is also below average when compared with Pearson's average (0.66) in a study of area lakes. Species diversity readings for Silver and North Little Lakes in fall of 2007 were 0.46 and 0.54 respectively.



Coontail is the most abundant plant throughout both lakes. Coontail frequencies in Silver Lake for spring and fall of 2007 were 58.0% and 62.0%. It grows to nuisance levels in many areas of the lake and impedes boat traffic.

In summary, Silver Lake is characterized by a submersed plant community with relatively low plant diversity, low water clarity (secchi depth 3.5 - 4 ft.) an abundant coontail population, as well as a low abundance of curly leaf pondweed. North Little Lake has a greater population of curly leaf pondweed, as well as moderate abundances of Eurasian watermilfoil.

#### 9.0 Aquatic Vegetation Management Alternatives

(See 2004 Lake Management Plan)

Major curly leaf pondweed control practices have not changed significantly from the 2004 alternatives.

#### 10.0 Public Involvement

A LARE meeting was held on November 8, 2007 to discuss issues pertaining to Silver Lake. District 4 Fisheries Biologist Ed Braun, Aquatic Weed Control and LARE Aquatic biologists Angela Sturdevant and Gwen White were all present and discussed the plant community of Silver Lake.

A public lake meeting was held for Silver Lake on June 9, 2007. Jim Donahoe of Aquatic Weed Control summarized LARE management activities and outlined the treatment strategy to help contain both the curly leaf pondweed population and the Eurasian watermilfoil population in Silver and North Little Lakes.

Public questionnaires were not handed out at the public lake association meeting, but will be handed out at next year's association meeting. Some Citizens were concerned because of the amount of coontail in Silver Lake. Coontail is extremely abundant and causes major recreational interference in parts of Silver Lake. At this time, LARE will not fund any treatment for coontail, as it is a native plant. Any coontail treatments must be privately funded.



#### 11.0 Public Education

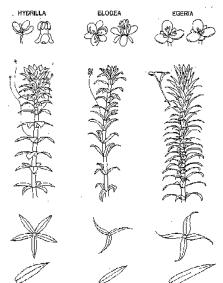
# 11.1 Hydrilla

Hydrilla (Hydrilla verticillata) is an invasive aquatic plant species common throughout the southern



United States. It is listed as a federally noxious weed and causes severe ecological and recreational problems wherever it grows. It is considered to be much more destructive than other invasives like Eurasian watermilfoil and curly leaf pondweed because of its reproductive adaptations. It grows by fragmentation, as does Eurasian watermilfoil, but it also produces turions which can remain dormant in the sediment for 4 years or more (Van and Steward, 1990). It produces tubers at its root tips which can also reproduce after multiple years of dormancy. It can grow 1 inch each day and it quickly out-competes native plants. It forms dense beds that eliminate native plants, stunt fish populations, impede recreation and cause a drastic decrease in biodiversity (Colle and Shireman, 1980). Millions of dollars are spent each year for hydrilla maintenance each year in Florida alone. Eradication is unlikely once a population has been well established, although eradication has been achieved in newly infested waters using a

herbicide called Sonar. Sonar is applied at a rate of 6 parts per billion and this concentration is maintained in the water for 180 days. Early detection can be crucial to an effective eradication



program, and all lake residents and users are encouraged to be on the look-out for this invader.

In fall of 2006, this plant was found in Lake Manitou, in Rochester, Indiana. This is the first instance of hydrilla in the upper Midwest. Prior to its appearance in Lake Manitou, The closest infestations of hydrilla were in Tennessee and Pennsylvania.

Hydrilla can easily be confused with native elodea. The major difference is that elodea has sets of leaves on the stem in whorls of three, while hydrilla usually has whorls of 5 leaves, although 4 to 9 leaves per whorl are possible with hydrilla. Hydrilla will also have small serrations on the leaf edges. More information on hydrilla can be found at the University of Florida's Center for Aquatic Invasive Plants (http://plants.ifas.ufl.edu/). More general

information on aquatic invaders can be found at www.protectyourwaters.net.



## 12.0 Integrated Management Action Strategy

The entire littoral zone of Silver Lake (~30 acres) will be treated again in 2008 using Aquathol K to provide control of curly leaf pondweed. This will be the fourth consecutive early season Aquathol treatment for Silver Lake.

North Little Lake will be treated with Aquathol K for curly leaf pondweed as well. This will be the third consecutive early season Aquathol treatment for North Little Lake. Ideally, these treatments will take place in late April or early may when water temperatures are at of below 56 to 57 degrees Fahrenheit.

North Little Lake will be treated with 2, 4-D for the control of Eurasian watermilfoil control. This treatment will take place later in summer, after the early season Aquathol treatment. These treatments are not expected to eradicate the two invasive species, but should help native plants to compete with them. However, treating the curly leaf population early each year should reduce the amount of curly leaf turions left in the sediment, therefore further reducing the amount of curly leaf pondweed left in Silver and North Little Lakes.

A Tier II survey will be conducted on Silver and North Little Lakes in spring of 2007, prior to treatment. This survey will determine the extent of curly leaf pondweed distribution and abundance.

The Lake and River Enhancement Program will likely not distribute funds for the control of native species, so additional treatments to control coontail will have to be privately funded.

#### **Treatment Specifications**

Aquathol K Treatments should be applied at a rate of 1 part per million to achieve adequate control of Curly Leaf Pondweed. 2, 4-D treatments should be applied at a rate of 1.76 parts per million to achieve adequate control of Eurasian watermilfoil.

# 13.0 Project Budget

#### 2008 Cost Estimates:

- \*All cost figures are estimates only. All prices are subject to change pending 2008 chemical pricing.
- 1. Chemically treat areas infested by curly leaf pondweed and Eurasian milfoil
  - A. Treat the entire littoral zone with Aquathol K (Silver and North Little Lakes) \$9,700
  - B. North Little Lake Eurasian Watermilfoil

Treat 10 acres with 2, 4-D \$ 3,750

- 2. Conduct an early season Tier II survey to monitor both invasive and native plant populations.
  - A. Spring Vegetation Survey and Plan Update \$4,000



#### 14.0 Monitoring and Plan Update Procedures

A Tier II quantitative survey should be conducted in spring of 2007 to evaluate the curly leaf pondweed population. This survey should take place prior to any herbicide treatment, to ensure that the curly leaf pondweed is actively growing when it is treated. No late season survey will be necessary in 2008, as the lake has been extensively surveyed over the last three years.

Although no curly leaf pondweed turion survey will take place in 2008, a turion survey may be conducted in 2009 or 2010 following the early season Aquathol treatment program. This survey could give insight into the amount of turions present in the sediment of Silver and North Little Lakes.

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# 16.0 Appendices

#### 16.1 Calculations

Fluridone Calculations:

The following paragraph is taken directly from the Sonar A.S. label. It outlines the specific procedures for calculating the amount of Fluridone needed to treat a body of water.

# **Application Rate Calculation - Ponds, Lakes and Reservoirs**

The amount of Sonar A.S. to be applied to provide the desired ppb concentration of active ingredient in treated water may be calculated as follows:

Quarts of Sonar A.S. required per treated surface acre = Average water depth of treatment site (feet)

x Desired ppb concentration of active ingredientx 0.0027

For example, the quarts per acre of Sonar A.S. required to provide a concentration of 25 ppb of active ingredient in water with an average depth of 5 feet is calculated as follows:

5 **x** 25 **x** 0.0027 = 0.33 quarts per treated surface acre When measuring quantities of Sonar A.S., quarts may be converted to fluid ounces by multiplying quarts to be measured **x** 32. For example, 0.33 quarts **x** 32 = 10.5 fluid ounces.

**Note:** Calculated rates should not exceed the maximum allowable rate in quarts per treated surface acre for the water depth listed in the application rate table for the site to be treated.



The following chart outlines rate calculations for DMA – 4 IVM Herbicide. It was taken directly from the DMA – 4 IVM specimen label on Dow AgroSciences website. <a href="http://www.dowagro.com/ivm/invasive/prod/dma.htm">http://www.dowagro.com/ivm/invasive/prod/dma.htm</a>

#### Submerged Aquatic Weeds: Including Eurasian Water Milfoil (Myriophyllum spicatum)

Treatment Site	Maximum Application Rate <sup>†</sup>	Specific Use Directions
Aquatic Weed Control in Ponds, Lakes, Reservoirs, Marshes, Bayous, Drainage Ditches, Canals, Rivers and Streams that are Quiescent or Slow Moving, Including Programs of the Tennessee Valley Authority	2.84 gallons (10.8 lb of acid equivalent) per acre foot	Application Timing: For best results, apply in spring or early summer when aquatic weeds appear. Check for weed growth in areas heavily infested the previous year. A second application may be needed when weeds show signs of recovery, but no later than mid-August in most areas.  Subsurface Application: Apply DMA 4 IVM undiluted directly to the water through a boat mounted distribution system. Shoreline areas should be treated by subsurface injection application by boat to avoid aerial drift.  Surface Application: Use power operated boat mounted boom sprayer. If rate is less than 5 gallons per acre, dilute to a minimum spray volume of 5 gallons per surface acre Aerial Application: Use drift control spray equipment or thickening agents mixed with sprays to reduce drift. Apply through standard boom systems in a minimum spray volume of 5 gallons per surface acre. For Microfoil® drift control spray systems, apply DMA 4 IVM in a total spray volume of 12 to 15 gallons per acre.  Apply to attain a concentration of 2 to 4 ppm (see table below).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup>DMA 4 IVM contains 3.8 lb of acid equivalent per gallon of product.

	Amount to Apply to	Attain a Concentration of 2 to 4 ppm		
Surface Area	Average Depth (ft)	2,4-D Acid Equivalent to Apply (lb/acre)	Amount of DMA 4 IVM to Apply (gal/acre)	
	1	5.4 to 10.8	1.42 to 2.84	
1 acre	2	10.8 to 21.6	2.84 to 5.68	
	3	16.2 to 32.4	4.26 to 8.53	
	4	21.6 to 43.2	5.68 to 11.37	
	5	27.0 to 54.0	7.10 to 14.21	



The following table outlines rate calculations for Renovate 3 herbicide based on desired PPM and average depth of treatment area. It is taken directly from the Renovate 3 specimen label on SePRO Corporation's website: <a href="www.sepro.com">www.sepro.com</a>

Concentration of Triclopyr Acid in Water (ppm ae)						
	Gallons	of Renovate 3	per surface	acre at speci	ified depth	
Water Depth (feet)	0.75 ppm	1.0 ppm	1.5 ppm	2.0 ppm	2.5 ppm	
1	0.7	0.9	1.4	1.8	2.3	
2	1.4	1.8	3.3	3.6	4.6	
3	2.1	2.9	4.1	5.4	6.8	
4	2.7	3.6	5.4	7.2	9.1	
5	3.4	4.5	6.8	9.0	11.3	
6	4.1	5.4	8.1	10.9	13.6	
7	4.8	6.3	9.5	12.7	15.8	
8	5.5	7.2	10.9	14.5	18.1	
9	6.1	8.1	12.2	16.3	20.4	
10	6.8	9.0	13.6	18.1	22.6	
15	10.2	13.6	20.4	27.2	33.9	
20	13.6	18.1	27.2	36.2	45.3	



# 16.2 Common Aquatic Plants of Indiana

(See 2004 Management Plan)

# **16.3 Pesticide Use Restrictions Summary:**

The following table was produced by Purdue University and included in the Professional Aquatic Applicators Training Manual. It gives a summary of water use restrictions on all major chemicals available for use in the aquatics market.

**Table 20: Pesticide Use Restrictions** 

Table 1. Aquatic Herbicides and	Their Use Restrictions. A	ays check the label	l because these restrictions are subject to change.
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	Human			Animal	Irrigation					
	Drinking	Swimming	Fish Consumption	Drinking	Turf	Forage	Food Crops			
	waiting period, in days									
Copper Chelate	0	$0^{a}$	0	0	0	0	0			
Copper Sulfate	0	0 <sup>a</sup>	0	0	0	0	0			
Diquat	1-3	O <sup>a</sup>	0	1	1-3	1-3	5			
Endothall (granular)b	7	0 <sup>a</sup>	3	0	7	7	7			
Endothall (liquid) <sup>b</sup>	7-25	$0^{a}$	3	7–25	7-25 <sup>d</sup>	7-25	7-25			
Endothall 191 (granular) <sup>c</sup>	7-25	0 <sup>a</sup>	3	7-25	7-25	7-25	7-25			
Endothall 191 (liquid) <sup>c</sup>	7-25	$0^a$	3	7–25	7–25	7-25	7-25			
Fluridone	0e	0 <sup>a</sup>	0	0	7–30	7-30	7-30			
Glyphosate	0e	0 <sup>a</sup>	0	0	0	0	0			
2,4-D (granular)	*	0a	0	*	*	*	*			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Although this compound has no waiting period for swimming, it is always advisable to wait 24 hours before permitting swimming in the direct area of treatment.



bTrade name is Aquathol®.

<sup>°</sup>Trade name is Hydrothol®.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>d</sup>May be used for sprinkling bent grass immediately.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>e</sup>Do not apply this product within 1/4 (fluridone) to 1/2 (glyphosate) mile upstream of potable water intakes.

<sup>\*</sup>Do not use treated water for domestic purposes, livestock watering (2,4-D, dairy animals only), or irrigation.

#### 16.4 Resources for Aquatic Management

In addition to the LARE Program, there are many other sources of potential funding to help improve the quality of Indiana Lakes. Many government agencies assist in projects designed to improve environmental quality.

The USDA has many programs to assist environmental improvement. More information on the following programs can be found at www.usda.gov.

Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Program (USDA

Conservation Reserve Program (USDA)

Wetlands Reserve Program (USDA)

Grassland Reserve Program (USDA)

Wildlife Habitat Incentive Program (USDA)

Small Watershed Rehabilitation Program (USDA)

The following programs are offered by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. More information about the Fish and Wildlife service can be found at www.fws.gov

Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service)

Bring Back the Natives Program (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service)

Native Plant Conservation Program (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service)

The Environmental Protection Agency, the Indiana Department of Environmental Management, and the U.S. Forest Service also have numerous programs for funding. A few of these are listed below. More information can be found at www.in.gov/idem and www.fs.fed.us/

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Environmental Education Program (EPA)

NPDES Related State Program Grants (IDEM)

Community Forestry Grant Program (U.S. Forest Service)



## 16.5 State Regulations for Aquatic Plant Management

The following information is found on the IDNR website and outlines general regulations for the management of aquatic plants in public waters.

#### **AQUATIC PLANT CONTROL PERMIT REGULATIONS**

Indiana Department of Natural Resources

Note: In addition to a permit from IDNR, public water supplies cannot be treated without prior written approval from the IDEM Drinking Water Section. Amended state statute adds biological and mechanical control (use of weed harvesters) to the permit requirements, reduces the area allowed for treatment without a permit to 625 sq ft, and updates the reference to IDEM. These changes become effective on July 1, 2002.

# Chapter 9. Regulation of Fishing IC 14-22-9-10

Sec. 10. (a) This section does not apply to the following:

- (1) A privately owned lake, farm pond, or public or private drainage ditch.
- (2) A landowner or tenant adjacent to public waters or boundary waters of the state, who chemically, mechanically, or physically controls aquatic vegetation in the immediate vicinity of a boat landing or bathing beach on or adjacent to the real property of the landowner or tenant if the following conditions exist:
  - (A) The area where vegetation is to be controlled does not exceed:
    - (i) twenty-five (25) feet along the legally established, average, or normal shoreline;
    - (ii) a water depth of six (6) feet; and
  - (iii) a total surface area of six hundred twenty-five (625) square feet.
    - (B) Control of vegetation does not occur in a public waterway of the state.
- (b) A person may not chemically, mechanically, physically, or biologically control aquatic vegetation in the public waters or boundary waters of the state without a permit issued by the department. All procedures to control aquatic vegetation under this section shall be conducted in accordance with rules adopted by the department under IC 4-22-2.
- (c) Upon receipt of an application for a permit to control aquatic vegetation and the payment of a fee of five dollars (\$5), the department may issue a permit to the applicant. However, if the aquatic vegetation proposed to be controlled is present in a public water supply, the department may not, without prior written approval from the department of environmental management, approve a permit for control of the aquatic vegetation.
  - (d) This section does not do any of the following:
    - (1) Act as a bar to a suit or cause of action by a person or governmental agency.
- (2) Relieve the permittee from liability, rules, restrictions, or permits that may be required of the permittee by any other governmental agency.
- (3) Affect water pollution control laws (as defined in IC 13-11-2-261) and the rules adopted under water pollution control laws (as defined in IC 13-11-2-261).

As added by P.L.1-1995, SEC.15. Amended by P.L.1-1996, SEC.64.

#### 312 IAC 9-10-3 Aquatic vegetation control permits

Authority: IC 14-22-2-6; IC 14-22-9-10

Affected: IC 14-22-9-10

- Sec. 3. (a) Except as provided under IC 14-22-9-10(a), a person shall obtain a permit under this section before applying a substance to waters of this state to seek aquatic vegetation control.
- (b) An application for an aquatic vegetation control permit shall be made on a departmental form and must include the following information:
- (1) The common name of the plants to be controlled.
- (2) The acreage to be treated.
- (3) The maximum depth of the water where plants are to be treated.
- (4) The name and amount of the chemical to be used.
- (c) A permit issued under this section is limited to the terms of the application and to conditions imposed on the permit by the department.
- (d) Five (5) days before the application of a substance permitted under this section, the permit holder must post clearly, visible signs at the treatment area indicating the substance that will be applied and what precautions should be taken.
- (e) A permit issued under this section is void if the waters to be treated are supplied to the public by a private company or governmental agency. (Natural Resources Commission; 312



# **16.6 Species Distribution Maps**

Figure 8: 2007 All Sample Locations

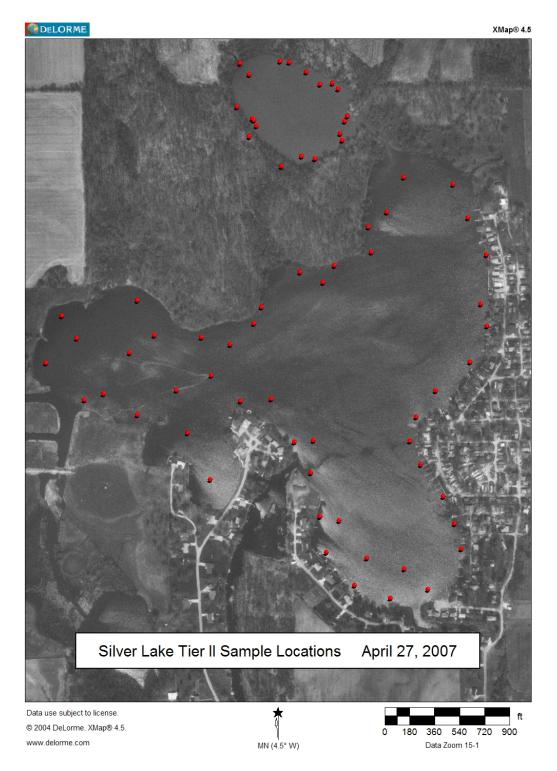




Figure 9: April 2007 Coontail Locations

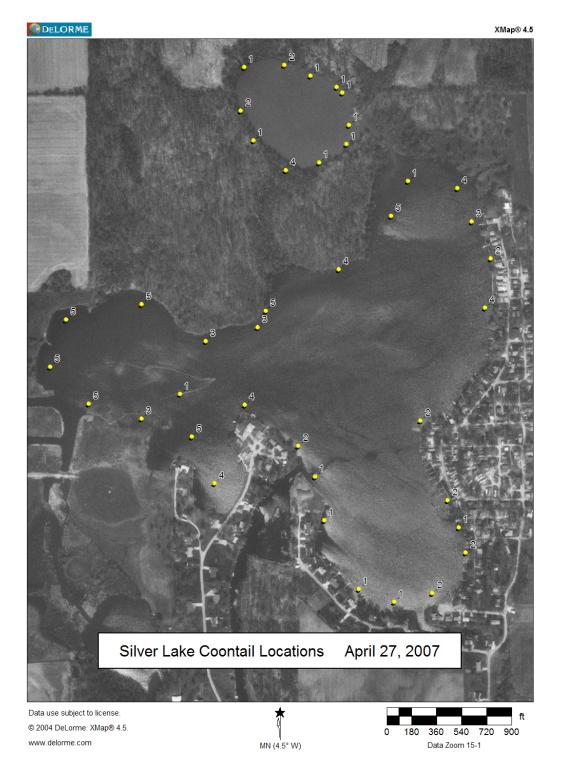




Figure 10: April 2007 Curly Leaf Pondweed Locations

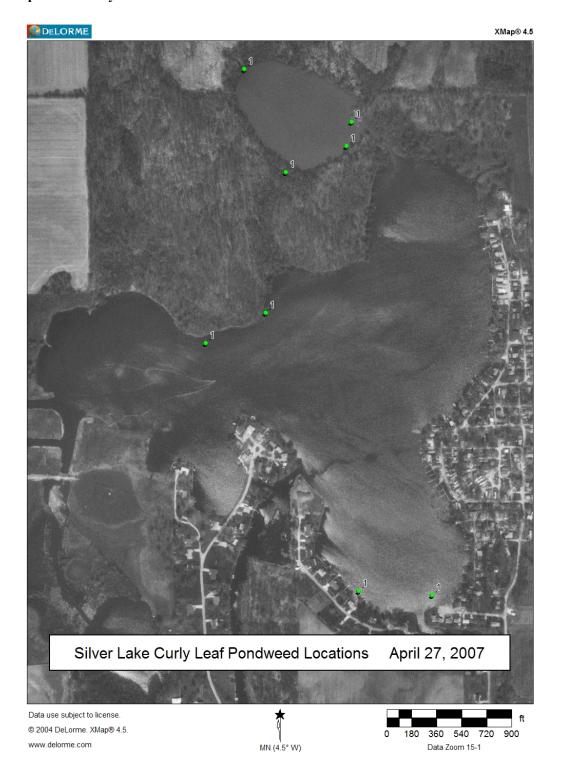




Figure 11: April 2007 Eurasian Watermilfoil Locations

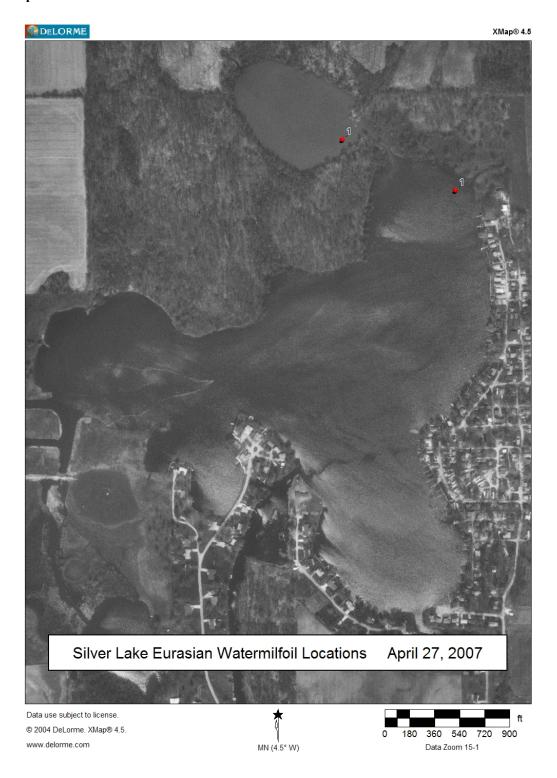




Figure 12: April 2007 Elodea Locations

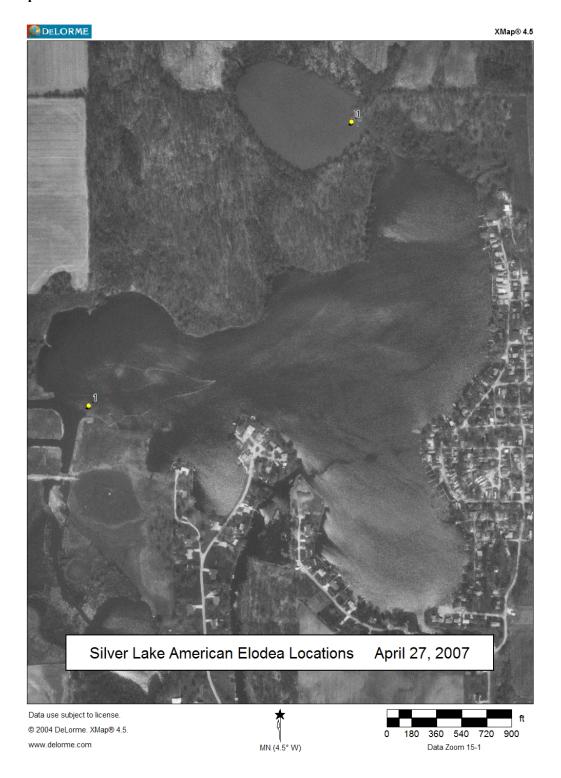




Figure 13: April 2007 Leafy Pondweed Locations

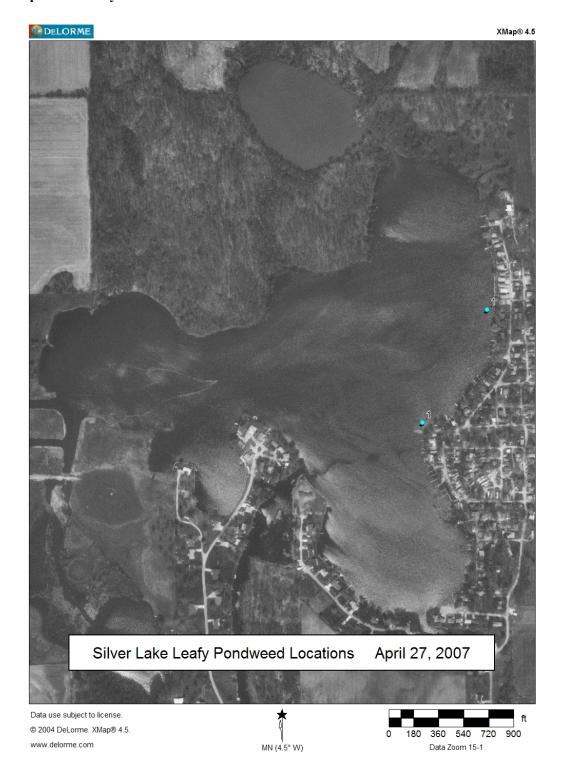




Figure 14: April 2007 Slender Naiad Locations

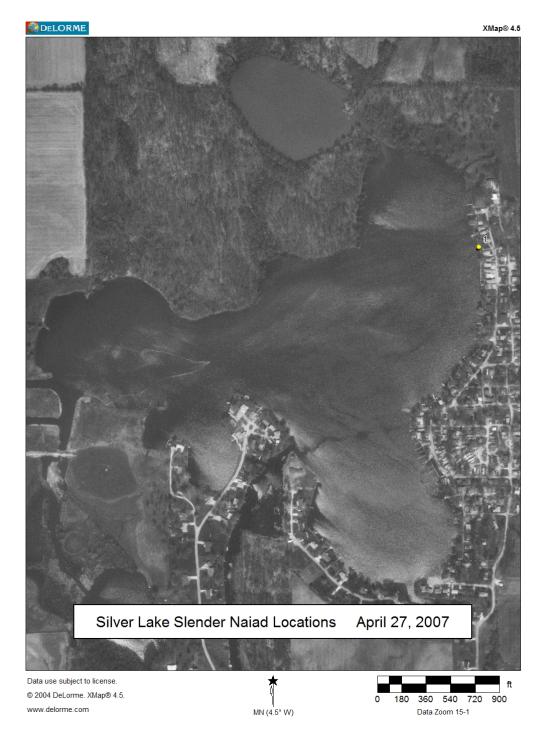




Figure 15: July 2007 Small Pondweed Locations

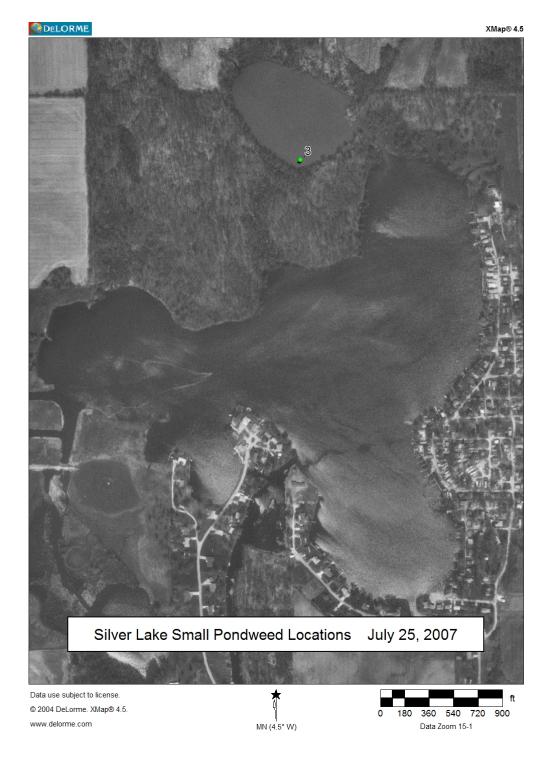




Figure 16: July 2007 Slender Naiad Locations

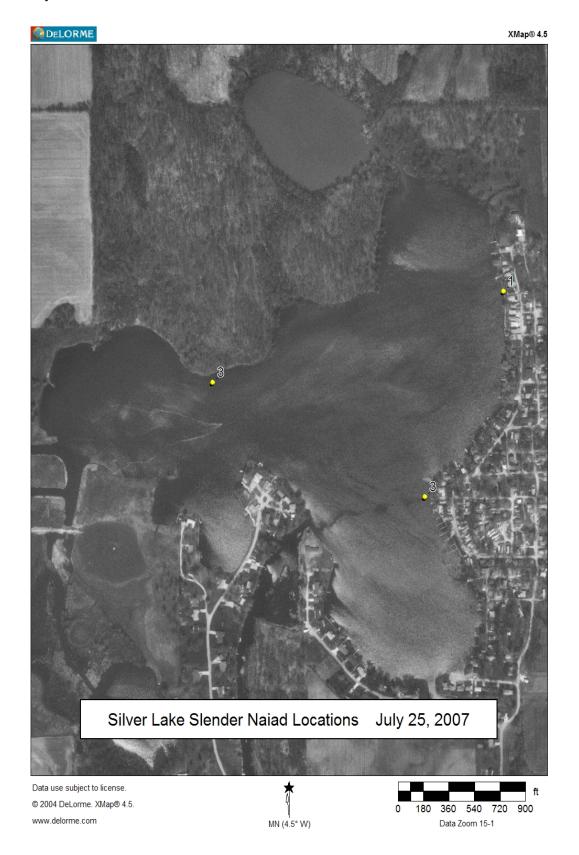




Figure 17: July 2007 Eurasian Watermilfoil Locations

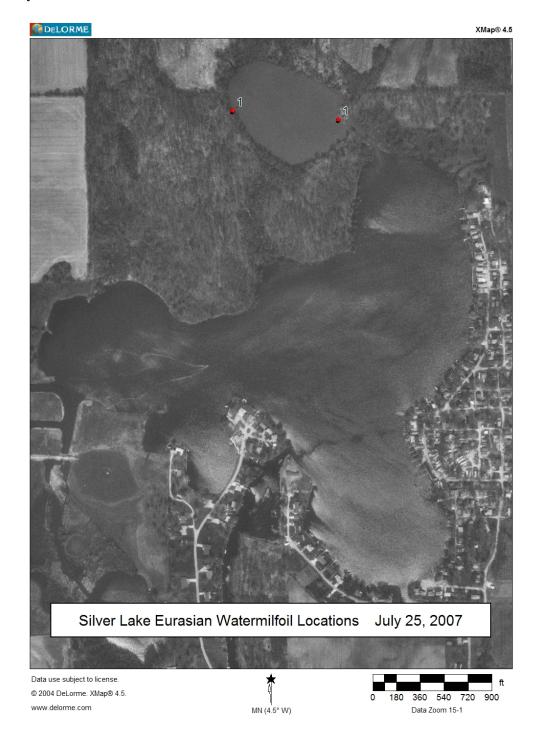




Figure 18: July 2007 Elodea Locations





Figure 19: July 2007 Curly Leaf Pondweed Locations

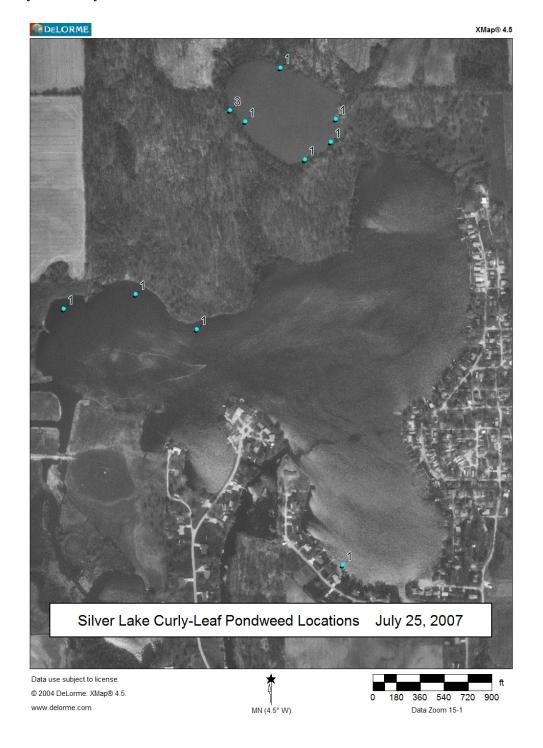
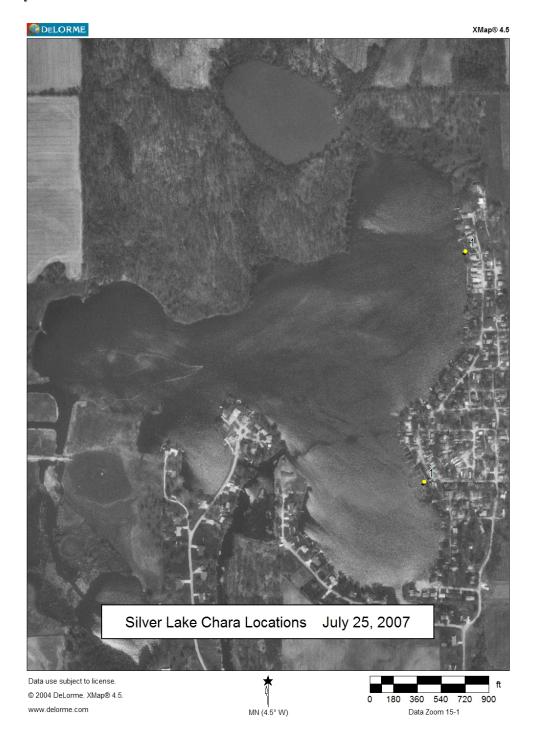




Figure 20: July 2007 Chara Locations





# 16.7 Data Sheets

**Table 21: Silver Lake Spring Cover Sheet** 

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	Aquatic Vegetation Random Sampling <u>Waterbody Cover Sheet</u>
	Organization Name: Silver Lake Association
	Waterbody Name: Silver Lake ID:
	County: Kosciusko Date: April 27, 2007
	Habitat Stratum: IL Ave. Lake Level: high Depth (ft):
	Crew Leader:  Dave Keister  Datum: Zone: Accuracy:
	Recorder: Dave Keister Method: WAAS Enabled GPS
	Secchi Depth (ft): 4 ft Total # of Sites Surveyed: Total # of Species:
	Littoral Zone Size (acres):  Measured  Estimated  Littoral Zone Max. Depth (ft):  Measured  Estimate (historical Secchi)
	Notable Conditions: Secchi measured at 4 ft
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# Sample Site GPS coordinates

**Table 25: Sample Location Coordinates** 

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	4	41.08	3243	-85	5.8974				
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	6	41.08	339	-85	5.8973				
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	8	41.08	3478	-85	5.8981				
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1	13	41.08	319	-85	5.9012				
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1	8	41.0	822	-85	5.9083				
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52	41.08676	-85.9013
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55	41.08715	-85.9037
56	41.0863	-85.9038
57	41.08571	-85.9034
58	41.08513	-85.9026
59	41.08528	-85.9017
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# **16.8 IDNR Aquatic Vegetation Control Permit**

To be included in the final draft

